

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are delighted to honor an outstanding Missourian who has witnessed dramatic changes in America during his sojourn on this most precious earth; and

Whereas, J.W. Elliott, a resident of Cowgill, Missouri, will commemorate the resplendent occasion of his One Hundredth Birthday with a special celebration on May 15, 2005, at the Cowgill School House; and

Whereas, on May 19, 1905, God brought a special gift to this great nation with the birth of an adorable infant by the name of J.W., who would put a twinkle in people's eyes and fill their hearts with love and joy; and

Whereas, while celebrating his birthday, J.W. Elliott will have the opportunity to reminisce about some of the significant events in his life such as his marriage on March 28, 1925, to Ritha Brelsford (deceased) and the births of their offspring; and

Whereas, God has blessed J.W. Elliott with the love and affection of a wonderful family whose members include four children, eleven grandchildren, and thirteen great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, a member of the Lions Club, J.W. Elliott provided a comfortable home and secure future for his loved ones through his successful endeavors as a farmer, an occupation from which he is now retired; and

Whereas, J.W. Elliott derives a tremendous amount of spiritual fulfillment through his affiliation with the First Baptist Church, a place of worship that has special meaning to him as a cherished member; and

Whereas, at the respectable age of 100, J.W. Elliott is extremely grateful for the countless blessings he has received throughout the course of his long and eventful life:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations and special birthday greetings to J.W. Elliott at this significant milestone and in wishing him peace and contentment as he continues to enjoy his golden years; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Missouri centenarian J.W. Elliott, as a measure of our esteem for him.

Offered by _____
Representative John Quinn
District No. 7

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 2601, adopted April 27, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker